## DISASTER DECLARATION

- WHEREAS, as a result of extremely heavy amounts of water resulting from unusually large accumulations of snow in South Dakota during the period of December, January, February, and March, and
- WHEREAS, in many areas of the State due to weather conditions this snow accumulation was retained and throughout the winter caused a continued danger of life and property of the residents, and
- WHEREAS, now the snow has melted rapidly causing the largest concentration of water in recorded history to flow to lower elevations, and
- WHEREAS, this runoff which began April 2, 1969, has now accelerated to cause extreme flooding in the James River, Vermillion River, and Big Sioux River basins:
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK L. FARRAR, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under the provisions of Chapter 41.01C of the 1960 Supplement to South Dakota Code of 1939, otherwise known as the Civil Defense Law, do hereby proclaim and declare Minnehaha County a

## DISASTER AREA

- IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the designation of Minnehaha County as a DISASTER AREA under the authority of the President of the United States will be requested in order to make available to the State of South Dakots and its political subdivisions such assistance as might be available from all branches of the Federal Government for the immediate repair and restoration of essential public facilities so damaged as a result of flooding.
- IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the resources available to State Government are to be utilized under the coordination of the State Civil Defense Office in support of Local Government efforts in the protection of life and public property in the affected areas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dekota, in Pierre, the Capitol City, this Lith day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

FRANK L. FARRAR, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE